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Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.59(b), the undersigned respectfully petitions expungement of the claim for priority and Japanese priority document No. 2000-288696 filed in the above-identified application. The documents were filed in error as set forth in the submission dated February 14, 2002. It is requested that the documents be returned to the undersigned at the address below. The fee required by 37 CFR §1.17(h) is enclosed.

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